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**BEST AVAILABLE COPY****Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (currently amended) A housing for a bicycle shifter comprising:  
a first housing element having an installation opening; and  
a second housing element including a closure member for covering the installation opening, the closure member forming a one-piece integral element with the second housing element, the second housing element operatively connected to the first housing element and configured to be operable between open and closed positions, the installation opening being uncovered in the open position, the closure member including a substantially planar flexural region to facilitate the opening and closing of the closure member.

2. (previously presented) The housing according to claim 1, wherein the second housing element has a substantially planar configuration in the manner of one of a flat surface and a three-dimensional surface.

3. (previously presented) The housing according to claim 1, wherein the second ~~housing element has a substantially constant thickness over substantially the entire~~ surface of the closure member.

4. (previously presented) The housing according to claim 1, wherein the second housing element is made of a material having viscoplastic to hard-rubber mechanical properties.

5. (cancelled)

6. (original) The housing according to claim 1, wherein the closure member has, in the region of the installation opening, a catch element that can be brought into latching

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engagement with a housing recess configured in a complementary shape to the catch element.

7. (original) The housing according to claim 6, wherein the catch element has a hook or sawtooth-shaped configuration, and the housing recess constitutes an undercut complementary in shape to the catch element.

8. (original) The housing according to claim 6, wherein the catch element may be brought out of and/or into engagement with the housing recess with a flexural deformation.

9. (original) The housing according to claim 8, wherein the flexural deformation of the catch element may be brought about by the sliding of a snap-lock edge of the catch element on a snap-lock tab of the undercut.

10. (currently amended) The housing according to claim 6, wherein the catch element can be brought out of and/or into engagement with the undercut by deformation of [[a]] the flexural region of the closure member.

11. (previously presented) The housing according to claim 1, wherein the closure member exerts at least a slight surface pressure on the first housing element in the region of the installation opening.

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12. (original) The housing according to claim 1, wherein the closure member comprises, in the region of the installation opening, one of a recess and a projection for placement of an opening tool.

13. (previously presented) The housing according to claim 1, wherein the first housing element being joinable to the second housing element by an insertion device.

14. (original) The housing according to claim 13, wherein the insertion device is detachable.